

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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SHORTAGE OF PILOTS CO PILOTS IN AIR INDIA

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Air India is presently facing an acute shortage of pilots/co-pilots;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken or being taken by the Government to recruit pilots/co-pilots in Air India?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Dr. Mahesh Sharma)

(a) :No, Madam. There is no shortage of pilots of Air India. However, for better utilization of crew resource, Air India is reallocating Pilots/Co-pilots as per fleet size and routes.

(b) & (c) : Does not arise in view of (a) above.